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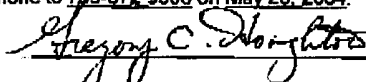
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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/890,562
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Dear Sir or Madam:

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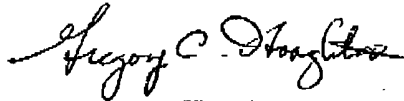
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If you have any questions please feel free to contact us.

Very truly yours,

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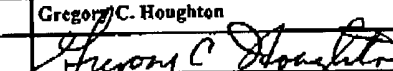
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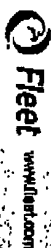
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